



# TOWNE HALL NEWS

**City of Woodstock, Georgia**

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12453 Highway 92, Woodstock, GA 30188 770 592-6000

February 2013

## Woodstock Celebrates Black History Month

**The Committee for the Preservation of Black  
History in Woodstock Presents**

**The Fourth Annual High Tea Celebrating  
"THE GRIOT"**

***The Oral Keepers of Our History*  
Saturday, February 9 at 4 PM  
Magnolia Hall  
108 Arnold Mill Road, Bldg C  
Woodstock, GA 30188**

**\$25 Donation**  
**(Proceeds Used to Build a Library in Kenya)**

***AFRICAN DRESS SUGGESTED***

**For More Information  
Contact Genevieve Georges at 770 517-9295**



## GAS SOUTH

**Gas South Saves Woodstock Residents and Businesses  
Money on Natural Gas**

The City of Woodstock has partnered with Gas South to offer you natural gas savings and a better value. Gas South is the only natural gas provider that offers Woodstock residents and businesses special discounted rates and additional value. The special discount is unlike other promotional offers and is not just for one year – it's for as long as you remain a customer and guarantees savings year after year. Plus, the discount is in addition to their already great everyday low rates and you'll save even more if you sign up online. **Join your Woodstock neighbors who have already saved over \$20,000 and start saving today with Gas South.**

Switching to Gas South is easy and only takes a few minutes. You don't need to contact your current provider or schedule an appointment. Gas South will take care of everything and your service will not be interrupted. Visit [gas-south.com/woodstock](http://gas-south.com/woodstock) to learn more or call 1-866-563-8129. Be sure to use promo code 980 to get your discount.

If you're already a Gas South customer, you too can start saving simply by enrolling your account in the program. Sign up and start saving today!

### Why Gas South?

- Enjoy a 2-cent discount off their already great everyday low rates for as long as you remain a customer;
- Save even more when you sign up online and take advantage of Gas South's special perks and discounts to local area attractions;
- Gas South is committed to the communities they serve – supporting Woodstock's Greenprints Alliance Project and community events. For more information visit <http://www.greenprintsalliance.org>.
- Outstanding customer service and online account services that allow you to manage and pay your bill online – even with a credit or debit card; and
- No deposits required for service.

### MUNICIPAL ELECTED OFFICIALS 770 592-6000 X-1003

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## A Word from our City Manager

Hello Woodstock!

I hope you all had a wonderful New Year! I know we as a City have welcomed in 2013 and have begun our annual process of setting our new goals and priorities for the year as well as lining up great musical acts for our 2013 Summer Concert Series.

We have much to share with all of you and would love your valuable input at our next Towne Hall Meeting scheduled for February 28<sup>th</sup> at the Deer Run West Clubhouse in the Deer Run Subdivision located off Towne Lake Parkway. Everyone is invited to attend.

Topics to be discussed include an update on the new Outlet Mall; Downtown Parking Improvements; Trails; Dog Park/Community Garden Update; Law Enforcement Issues; Towne Lake Widening Project Update; and an Update on Woodstock West's Progress.

I look forward to seeing all of you on February 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Jeffrey Moon, City Manager**  
[jmoon@woodstockga.gov](mailto:jmoon@woodstockga.gov)

*NEXT TOWNE HALL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28<sup>TH</sup> AT 7 PM AT THE DEER RUN WEST CLUBHOUSE (7032 Hunters Ridge, Woodstock, GA 30189) IN THE DEER RUN SUBDIVISION. Call 770 592-6002 for more information.*

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### ARBOR DAY

Arbor Day will be celebrated on February 15, 2013 from 8 am to 5 pm, with a free seedling and care booklet giveaway. To pick up your free seedling/booklet, stop by Magnolia Hall, Woodstock Visitors Center, William G. Long Senior Center, or the Woodstock Annex.

#### CITY MEETINGS

**1<sup>st</sup> Thursday: Planning Commission @ 7 pm**  
**At the Chambers at City Center – 8534 Main St.**

**2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday: Regular Council Meeting @ 7 pm**  
**At The Chambers at City Center – 8534 Main St.**

**Mayor and Council Retreat**  
**February 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> – Magnolia Hall, Woodstock**

**February 18th Work Session Has Been Cancelled**

**Next Friday Night Live: March 1<sup>st</sup> 6 pm to 9 pm**  
**“MARDI GRAS ON MAIN”**



**February 4-9, 2013**

Severe weather is no stranger to North and Central Georgia. Severe Weather Awareness Week is designed to provide information about the types of severe weather that affect Georgia, and what to do in the event that severe weather occurs. For more information on how YOU can be prepared – visit [www.ready.gov](http://www.ready.gov).

- ✓ Purchase an NOAA Weather Radio (with battery backup);
- ✓ Remember tornadoes can happen without any warning;
- ✓ March, April and May are the most active months for tornadoes in Georgia;
- ✓ Listen for tornado sirens and take cover fast.

### STATEWIDE TORNADO DRILL

A major activity during Severe Weather Awareness Week will be a **STATEWIDE TORNADO DRILL**, which will be conducted by the Georgia Emergency Management Agency and the National Weather Service on **Wednesday, February 6, 2013**, during the morning hours. (In the event of severe weather, the drill will be held Friday, February 8th to prevent confusion.)

### HOMESTEAD EXEMPTIONS MUST BE FILED

**BETWEEN JANUARY 1<sup>ST</sup> AND APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**File your Application with the Cherokee County**  
**Tax Assessor's Office – 678-493-6120**

**The Taylor Randahl Memorial Mountain Bike Trails** at Olde Rope Mill Park may be closed from time to time based on weather conditions. If the trail is marked 'closed', please do not use the trail. The trails are maintained by a dedicated volunteer organization and using the trails when they are closed causes greater work loads by volunteers to repair damage done. You may check the status of the trail by checking out SORBA WOODSTOCK'S website at <http://sorbawoodstock.org> or by calling the trail hotline at (678) 568-1508. These resources are updated when a change in the status of the trail occurs.

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